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- **Maledicta's Editor and Publisher**, Reinhold Aman (Ph.D., University of Texas, 1968, in Medieval Literatures and Linguistics), speaks six languages and dabbles in dozens of others. He taught at the Universities of Texas and Wisconsin until 1974 before leaving Academia in disgust.

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